What is claimed is:

A method for depositing a biaxially textured film on a substrate, comprising:
 depositing a film on a substrate with a deposition flux at an oblique incident
 angle, while simultaneously bombarding said deposited film using an ion beam at an
 ion beam incident angle arranged along either a best ion texture direction (BITD) or a
 second best ion texture direction of said film, thereby forming a biaxially-textured
 film,

wherein a deposition flux incident plane is arranged parallel to a direction along which said biaxially-textured film has the fastest in-plane growth rate.

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein an angle between said deposition flux incident plane and an ion beam incident plane is about 45° or about 135°.
- 3. The method of claim 2, wherein said ion beam incident angle is in the range between about 10° and about 60° from film normal.
- 4. The method of claim 2, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 5° and about 80° from film normal.
- 5. The method of claim 2, wherein the deposition rate is above about 1 nm/second.
- 6. The method of claim 5, wherein said deposition rate is above about 3 nm/second.
- 7. The method of claim 2, wherein normal ion energy of said ion beam is in the range between about 150eV and about 1500eV.
- 8. The method of claim 2, wherein said biaxially-textured film comprises a cubic-structured material having said fastest growth rate direction along at least one of the crystal axes <100>, <010>, or <001>.

- 9. The method of claim 8, wherein the said biaxially-textured film comprises a material with a best ion texture direction (BITD) or a second best ion texture direction along <111> crystal direction.
- 10. The method of claim 9, wherein said material comprises at least one of: a fluorite type material, a pyrochlore type material, and a rare-earth C type material.
- 11. The method of claim 10, wherein said fluorite type material comprises at least one of cerium oxide (CeO₂), RE doped cerium oxide (RECe)O₂, where RE is samarium, europium, erbium, lanthanum), yttria-stabilized zirconia (YSZ); wherein said pyrochlore type material comprises at least one of Eu₂Zr₂O₇ or Gd₂Zr₂O₇; and wherein said rare-earth C type material comprises yttrium oxide (Y₂O₃).
- 12. The method of claim 9, wherein said ion beam incident angle is about 55° from film normal.
- 13. The method of claim 9, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 20° and about 55° from film normal.
- 14. The method of claim 9, wherein said biaxially-textured film thickness is above about $0.2 \mu m$.
- 15. The method of claim 2, wherein said biaxially-textured film comprises a cubic-structured material having said fastest growth rate direction along crystal axis <111>.
- 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the said biaxially-textured film comprises of a material with a best ion texture direction (BITD) or a second best ion texture direction along <110> crystal direction.
- 17. The method of claim 16, wherein said material comprises at least one of: a rock salt type material, a ReO₃ type material, and a perovskite type material.

- 18. The method of claim 17, wherein said material of said biaxially-textured film comprises at least one of magnesium oxide (MgO), nickel oxide (NiO), tungsten trioxide (WO₃), barium oxide (BaO), lanthanum aluminate (LaAlO₃), and strontium titanate (SrTiO₃)
- 19. The method of claim 16, wherein said ion beam incident angle is about 45° from film normal.
- 20. The method of claim 16, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 45° and about 65° from film normal.
- 21. The method of claim 1, wherein an angle between said deposition flux incident plane and an ion beam incident plane is about 0° or about 180° or about 90°.
- 22. The method of claim 21, wherein an ion to atom arrival ratio is less than about 0.5.
- 23. The method of claim 22, wherein said ion to atom arrival ratio is in the range between about 0.05 and about 0.3.
- 24. The method of claim 21, wherein said biaxially-textured film comprises a cubic-structured material having said fastest growth rate direction along at least one of the crystal axes <100>, <010>, or <001>.
- 25. The method of claim 24, wherein the said biaxially-textured film comprises a material with a best ion texture direction (BITD) or a second best ion texture direction along <110> crystal direction.
- 26. The method of claim 25, wherein said material comprises at least one of: a fluorite type material, a pyrochlore type material, and a rare-earth C type material.
- 27. The method of claim 26, wherein said fluorite type material comprises at least one of cerium oxide (CeO₂), RE doped cerium oxide (RECe)O₂, where RE is samarium, europium, erbium, lanthanum), yttria-stabilized zirconia (YSZ); wherein said

- pyrochlore type material comprises at least one of $Eu_2Zr_2O_7$ or $Gd_2Zr_2O_7$; and wherein said rare-earth C type material comprises yttrium oxide (Y_2O_3) .
- 28. The method of claim 25, wherein said ion beam incident angle is about 45° from film normal.
- 29. The method of claim 25, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 20° and about 55° from film normal.
- 30. The method of claim 21, wherein said ion beam incident angle is in the range between about 10° and about 60° from film normal.
- 31. The method of claim 21, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 5° and about 80° from film normal.
- 32. The method of claim 21, wherein the deposition rate is above about 1 nm/second.
- 33. The method of claim 32, wherein said deposition rate is above about 3 nm/second.
- 34. The method of claim 21, wherein normal ion energy of said ion beam is in the range between about 150eV and about 1500eV.
- 35. The method of claim 34, wherein normal ion energy of said ion beam is in the range between about 500eV and about 900eV.
- 36. The method of claim 25, wherein said biaxially-textured film thickness is above about $0.2 \mu m$.
- 37. The method of claim 1, wherein an intermediate layer is deposited between said substrate and said biaxially-textured film.
- 38. The method of claim 37, wherein the grain size of said intermediate layer is in nanometer scale.

- 39. The method of claim 37, wherein the lattice mismatch between said intermediate layer and said biaxially-textured film is larger than about 10%, preferably larger than about 20%.
- 40. The method of claim 37, wherein said intermediate layer comprises at least one of rare earth C types material such as yttrium oxide (Y₂O₃), Eu₂O₃ and Pr₂O₃; oxides such as yttria stabilized zirconium oxide (YSZ), and nitrides such as silicon nitride (Si₃N₄).
- 41. A method for depositing a biaxially textured film on a substrate, comprising:

 depositing a film on a substrate with a deposition flux at an oblique incident angle, while simultaneously bombarding said deposited film using an ion beam, thereby forming a biaxially-textured film,

wherein said ion beam is substantially parallel to substrate normal.

- 42. The method of claim 41, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 5° to about 80° from film normal.
- 43. The method of claim 42, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 45° to about 65° from film normal.
- 44. The method of claim 41, wherein a material comprises at least one of: a rock salt type material, a ReO₃ type material, and a perovskite type material.
- 45. The method of claim 44, wherein said material comprises at least one of magnesium oxide (MgO), nickel oxide (NiO), tungsten trioxide (WO₃), barium oxide (BaO), lanthanum aluminate (LaAlO₃), and strontium titanate (SrTiO₃).
- 46. The method of claim 41 wherein said biaxially-textured film has <001> crystal direction substantially parallel to the substrate normal.
- 47. The method of claim 41, wherein the deposition rate is above about 1 nm/second.

- 48. The method of claim 47, wherein said deposition rate is above about 3 nm/second.
- 49. The method of claim 41, wherein normal ion energy of said ion beam is in the range between about 300eV and about 1500eV.
- 50. The method of claim 41, wherein an intermediate layer is deposited between said substrate and said biaxially-textured film.
- 51. The method of claim 50, wherein the grain size of said intermediate layer is in nanometer scale.
- 52. The method of claim 50, wherein the lattice mismatch between said intermediate layer and said biaxially-textured film is larger than about 10%, preferably larger than about 20%.
- 53. The method of claim 50, wherein said intermediate layer comprises at least one rare earth C types material such as yttrium oxide (Y₂O₃), Eu₂O₃ and Pr₂O₃; oxides such as yttria stabilized zirconium oxide (YSZ), and nitrides such as silicon nitride (Si₃N₄).
- 54. A method for depositing a biaxially textured film on a substrate, comprising: depositing a film on a substrate with a deposition flux at an oblique incident angle, while simultaneously bombarding said deposited film using an ion beam, thereby forming a biaxially-textured film,

wherein an ion beam incident angle is at a glancing angle along substrate surface.

- 55. The method of claim 54, wherein an angle between said deposition flux incident plane and an ion beam incident plane is about 45° or about 135°.
- 56. The method of claim 54, wherein a material comprises at least one of a rock salt type material, a ReO₃ type material, and a perovskite type material.

- 57. The method of claim 56, wherein said material comprises at least one of magnesium oxide (MgO), nickel oxide (NiO), tungsten trioxide (WO₃), barium oxide (BaO), lanthanum aluminate (LaAlO₃), and strontium titanate (SrTiO₃).
- 58. The method of claim 54, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 5° to about 80° from film normal.
- 59. The method of claim 58, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 45° to about 65° from film normal.
- 60. The method of claim 54, wherein normal ion energy of said ion beam is in the range between about 300eV and about 1500eV.
- 61. The method of claim 60, wherein normal ion energy of said ion beam is in the range between about 700eV and about 900eV.
- 62. The method of claim 54, wherein an intermediate layer is deposited between said substrate and said biaxially-textured film.
- 63. The method of claim 62, wherein the grain size of said intermediate layer is in nanometer scale.
- 64. The method of claim 62, wherein the lattice mismatch between said intermediate layer and said biaxially-textured film is larger than about 10%, preferably larger than about 20%.
- 65. The method of claim 62, wherein said intermediate layer comprises at least one rare earth C types material such as yttrium oxide (Y₂O₃), Eu₂O₃ and Pr₂O₃; oxides such as yttria stabilized zirconium oxide (YSZ), and nitrides such as silicon nitride (Si₃N₄).
- 66. A method for depositing a biaxially textured film on a substrate, comprising: depositing a film on a substrate with a deposition flux at an oblique incident angle, while an assisting ion beam bombards said deposited film simultaneously

during deposition, thereby forming a biaxially-textured film,

or depositing a film on a substrate with a deposition flux along substrate normal, while simultaneously bombarding said deposited film using an oblique ion beam, thereby forming a biaxially-textured film,

wherein said biaxially-textured film comprises a non-cubic layer-structured material with strong anisotropic growth rate along an a-b plane, wherein said growth rate along said a-b plane is much higher than along a c-axis.

- 67. The method of claim 66, wherein said biaxially-textured film is grown under dynamical growth conditions so that said film has said a-b plane substantially parallel to substrate normal and said c-axis of said film lies on said substrate, wherein said ion beam incident plane is substantially parallel to said a-b plane.
- 68. The method of claim 67, wherein said ion beam incident angle from substrate normal is in the range between about 10° and about 60°.
- 69. The method of claim 68, wherein said ion beam incident angle is about 45° from substrate normal.
- 70. The method of claim 67, wherein said ion beam incident angle is a glancing angle along said substrate surface.
- 71. The method of claim 67, wherein said ion beam incident angle is substantially along substrate normal.
- 72. The method of claim 67, wherein said deposition flux incident angle is in the range between about 5° and about 80° from film normal.
- 73. The method of claim 67, wherein said angle between the ion beam incident plane and said deposition flux incident plane is about 0° or about 180° or about 90° or about 270°.

- 74. The method of claim 67, wherein said non-cubic layer-structured material comprises at least one deformed perovskite structured material or a rutile type material.
- 75. The method of claim 74, wherein said deformed perovskite structured material comprises REBa₂Cu₃O₇₋₈ where RE comprises at least one of yttrium, gadolinium, terbium, dysprosium, lanthanum, neodymium, samarium, europium, holmium, erbium, thulium, and ytterbium; and said rutile type material comprises at least one of TiO₂, SnO₂, WO₂, RuO₂, MnO₂, NbO₂, VO₂, IrO₂.
- 76. The method of claim 67, wherein the deposition rate is greater than about 1 nm/second.
- 77. The method of claim 76, wherein said deposition rate is above about 3 nm/second.
- 78. The method of claim 67, wherein a deposition temperature is sufficient to obtain the desired composition and stoichiometry of said non-cubic, layer-structured material.
- 79. The method of claim 78, wherein active oxygen is disposed substantially on said biaxially textured film during deposition to reduce said deposition temperature.
- 80. The method of claim 79, wherein said active oxygen comprises at least one of atomic oxygen, ozone, oxygen ions, or N₂O.
- 81. The method of claim 67, wherein an intermediate layer is deposited between said substrate and said biaxially textured film.
- 82. The method of claim 81, wherein the grain size of said intermediate layer is in nanometer scale.
- 83. The method of claim 81, wherein the lattice mis-match between said intermediate buffer and said biaxially-textured film is larger than about 10%, preferably larger than about 20%.

- 84. The method of claim 81, wherein said intermediate layer comprises at least one rare earth C types material such as yttrium oxide (Y₂O₃), Eu₂O₃ and Pr₂O₃; oxides such as yttria stabilized zirconium oxide (YSZ), and nitrides such as silicon nitride (Si₃N₄).
- 85. The method of claim 1, wherein said deposition flux is provided using at least one of evaporation method including resistive heating evaporation, co-evaporation, electron beam evaporation, magnetron sputtering, pulsed laser ablation, ion beam sputtering.
- 86. The method of claim 41, wherein said deposition flux is provided using at least one of evaporation method including resistive heating evaporation, co-evaporation, electron beam evaporation, magnetron sputtering, pulsed laser ablation, ion beam sputtering.
- 87. The method of claim 54, wherein said deposition flux is provided using at least one of evaporation method including resistive heating evaporation, co-evaporation, electron beam evaporation, magnetron sputtering, pulsed laser ablation, ion beam sputtering
- 88. The method of claim 66, wherein said deposition flux is provided using at least one of evaporation method including resistive heating evaporation, co-evaporation, electron beam evaporation, magnetron sputtering, pulsed laser ablation, ion beam sputtering
- 89. A high-temperature superconductor article, comprising:
 - a substrate;
 - a biaxially-textured film deposited on said substrate by method of claim 1 or claim 41 or claim 54, or claim 66; and
 - a superconducting layer disposed on biaxially-textured film
- wherein said biaxially-textured film comprises a sharply textured layer, said sharply texture layer having $(\Delta \phi)$ less than about 15° and $(\Delta \omega)$ less than about 10°.
- 90. The superconductor article of claim 89, wherein said substrate is a flexible metal tape having a thickness less than about 0.15 mm.

- 91. The superconductor article of claim 90, wherein said metal tape is electropolished or chemical-mechanically polished to an average roughness of less than about 10nm.
- 92. The superconductor article of claim 89, wherein said superconducting layer comprises at least one oxide superconductor material.
- 93. The superconductor article of claim 92, wherein said oxide superconducting material comprises rare-earth barium copper oxides REBa₂Cu₃O₇₋₈, where RE is at least one of yttrium, gadolinium, terbium, dysprosium, lanthanum, neodymium, samarium, europium, holmium, erbium, thulium and ytterbium.
- 94. The superconductor article of claim 89, wherein said superconducting layer has a thickness in the range between about 1.0μm and about 20.0μm.
- 95. The superconductor article of claim 89, wherein said superconductor article is a power cable.
- 96. The superconductor article of claim 95, wherein said power cable comprises at least one inner central conduit for passage of a cooling fluid.
- 97. The superconductor article of claim 89, wherein said superconductor article is a power transformer.
- 98. A power generator having the superconductor article of claim 89.
- 99. The power generator of claim 98, wherein said power generator further comprises a shaft coupled to a rotor comprising at least one electromagnet having a rotor coil, a stator comprising a conductive winding surrounding said rotor, wherein said rotor coil comprises said superconductor article.
- 100. A power grid having the superconductor article of claim 89.
- 101. The power grid of claim 100, wherein said power grid further comprises a power generation station having a power generator, a transmission substation with at least

one power transformer, at least one power transmission cable; a power substation, and at least one power distribution cable.

102. The superconducting article of claim 89, further including an epitaxial buffer layer between said biaxially-textured film and said superconducting layer.